prints, &c. to be deemed high offence.

ingly to circulate, or in any way, knowingly assist in circulat ing among the inhabitants thereof, any pictorial representation, or any pamphlet, newspaper, handbill or other paper, printed or written, of any inflammatory character, having a tendency to create discontent among, and stir up to insurrection, the people of colour of this state, and that every person that shall be duly convicted of this offence, shall be guilty of a felony, and shall be sentenced to undergo a confinement in the penitentiary of this state, for a period of time, not less than ten, nor more than twenty years from the time of sentence pronounced on such offender.

Penalty from 10 to 20 years confinement.

Felony.

Unlawful to make any such.

SEC. 2. And be it enacted, That hereafter, it shall not be lawful for any citizen of this state knowingly to make, print or engrave, or aid in the making, printing or engraving, within this state, any pictorial representation, or to write or print, or to aid in the writing or printing any pamphlet, newspaper, handbill or other paper of an inflammatory character, and having a tendency to excite discontent, or stir up insurrection amongst the people of colour of this state, or of either of the other states or territories of the United States, or knowingly to carry or send, or to aid in the carrying or sending the same for circulation amongst the inhabitants of either of the other states or territories of the United States, and any person so offending shall be guilty of a felony, and shall on conviction be sentenced to confinement in the penitentiary of this state, for a period not less than ten nor more than twenty years, from the time of sentence pronounced on such person.

Felony. Penalty from 10 to 20 years confinement.

CHAPTER 329.

1796, ch. A further SUPPLEMENT to an ACT, entitled, an Act relating to Free

Negroes and Slaves.

Preamble.

WHEREAS, there are many citizens in this state who hold land both in this state and the state of Virginia, and vice versa, who find much inconvenience from existing laws, in removing their slave labour from one state to the other, as necessity and occasion may require, and for the purpose of facilitating this intercourse, and at the same time to repress within proper limits the increase of the slave population in the state; therefore,

Remove slaves into this state.

Sec. 1. Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That it shall be lawful for any citizen of this state who may hold lands in Virginia and also in this state, and any citizen of Virginia who may hold lands in this state, to remove his slaves from Virginia into this state, on his compliance with the requisitions and provisions of the fourth section of the act of assembly, passed at December session, eighteen hundred and thirtyone, and also of the act of eighteen hundred and thirty-three, chapter eighty-seven, entitled, a further supplement to an act.